

Mainiac Woodturner

Monthly Newsletter of the Maine Chapter of the AAW

World Class Turner to Demonstrate at Maine Woodturners Jan. 19



Someone may have told you that babies are born in the cabbage patch—but in fact, the progeny of woodturners are born in bowls. At least, any baby would be proud of a Lancaster

No two ways about it—this is the event of the year. What’s even better, it’s a double feature: David Lancaster, founder of the Maine Woodturners and everyone’s favorite demonstrator, will be imparting a small fraction of what he knows over the next two meetings. David is going to cover orientation of the bowl in the log, green turning, rough turning, coring out, finish turning of a green-turned bowl, and will discuss drying methods. That’s just in the first ten minutes, of course.

A couple of years ago, I met a production turner from Vermont who said the turning point of his career was when he visited an AAW symposium. He saw some guy from Maine named David demonstrate and he what he should be doing and the speed at which he should be doing it. David will be one of the featured demonstrators at the national AAW symposium in Kansas this summer, doing six rotations. People will be paying hundreds of dollars to see what David so generously shares with his fellow club members here at home.

There’s a reason that Peter Asselyn, when he demonstrated in November, stopped three times in the course of his demo to appreciate David’s help while he was learning to turn. There’s very little that you might need to know that David can’t teach you. David (“OneWay” aka “MyWay”) Lancaster has helped develop some of the best technology in the business today.

Be sure to come (meeting starts at 7 p.m.—directions to Erskine Academy are on the back page.) Get there early, get a good seat, take notes, and be prepared to have a really good time.

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**If you missed it, you missed it.
Happy New Year!**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Don't forget the **Klingspor** 10% discount on all non-powered merchandise to all members of the Maine Woodturners.

The Craft Supplies

(www.woodturnerscatalog.com or 1-800-551-8876) promotion this month is: spend \$100 and receive a \$20 voucher redeemable after January 15. Be sure to mention the Promotion Code 04FPAAW12. Please note that these codes change with every promotion. Also, when you call or order you must mention the code, as they will not ask. This promotion is good from December 1 to January 15.

Round Top Center for the Arts in Damariscotta is offering classes in woodturning taught by some of our own members! Check

Mark's corrected Upcoming Demos list:

David (Oneway) Lancaster – January 2005

David continued - Feb 2005

Peter McCrea – March 2005

Al Mather & Tom Raymond – April 2005

Mac Ray (tentative) - May 2005

Mark (big crowd) Irving – June 2005

Summer break – July, August 2005

Alan Lacer – September 2005

Possibly Michael Hosaluk? – October 2005

anyone else? - November 2005

Xmas party – December 2005

volunteer? – January 2006

someone reading this? - February 2006

me? - March 2006

you? - April 2006

National Demonstrator? – May 2006

As the Wood Turns: President Mark Irving



Well, we had a great turnout at the Christmas party at Round Top. I think we had over 30 people show up. Lot's of good food too. It was a little different than the usual eating at a workbench party. Not that any of us mind that, but Round Top was a nice change.

The Yankee swap was more entertaining than usual. I think we had 29 people in the game. And we had plenty of swapping. I don't remember who ended up with what, but I have a nice new wooden turned pen! I do know there are a couple of people who will have some work to do finishing some bowls they ended up with too. Don't forget to bring them in for the show and tell.

Does anyone read this drivel? For anyone who mentions this to me at the January meeting, I will put your name into a drawing for a \$15 gift certificate from Craft Supplies.

Can't wait to see Dave Lancaster's demo at the January meeting. Bring some wood for an auction and some pieces for the show and tell.

See you in January.

Keep the bevel rubbing,

Treasurer's Report By Burt Truman

We now have 1 Honorary member, 3 Life members, 2 students and 65 paid members of which 4 are combined as family members. Sorry to say we have a few old members that have not renewed yet, but who knows, they may yet. I guess that is it except that we are doing fine financially so we can afford the demonstrators that are being lined up.

Burt

Russ Fairfield's 5 Rules of Sanding:

Rule 1 - Sandpaper is a cutting tool, keep it sharp and keep it clean.

Rule 2 - Refine the shape, remove all tool damage and torn grain, and repair the surface with as coarse an abrasive as necessary to do the job - BEFORE moving through the finer grits.

Rule 3 - Sand through all of the progressively finer grits without skipping any of them, and don't quit before 320.

Rule 4 - Remove all of the scratches and the sanding dust from the previous grit before going to the next finer grit.

Rule 5 - Slow is good, and slower is even better.

Classified Ads

Free to members!

Oneway toolrest base and bed extension for 2436, new cost with shipping over \$500, asking \$400. Peter Asselyn, 353-4206, peter-asselyn@gwi.net

2- 4 inch jointers. One craftsman without a motor, one of unknown manufacturer, and on a home made stand. \$25 each, OBO. I have a new(er) 6 inch one now and no room for these old ones. Mark Irving. Email me: irvings@javanet.com

Jet Blue Delta 46-840 Woodturning duplicator for 11 and 12" lathe. \$50—Call Fred Weber 622-1108

OneWay Dealer: For anyone who hasn't caught on through the jokes constantly being made at meetings, Dave Lancaster (445-4758) is a OneWay dealer and would be glad to help anyone interested in ordering tools or lathes carried in their catalog.

Wheels and Grinders

Wheel set for Oneway 1640 lathe \$60.

Oneway 8' 80 grit grinding wheel, Oneway 8" 120 grit grinding wheel, Oneway 5/8" Precision balancing system—All of the 3 above items basically unused \$100. Tormek Super Grind with standard accessories \$350.

For more information call John McAlevey at 207-372-6455 or e-mail at johnmcalevey@adelphia.net



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Coming Events:

January 2005, David Lancaster

AND

February 2005, More David Lancaster (can we ever get enough?)

Regular meetings are held throughout the year at 7 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month at Erskine Academy in South China, Maine. Directions to Erskine: From Augusta, take Rt. 3 east for 12 miles. At the blinking light take a right onto Rt. 32. Go approximately 2 miles. Take a right at the end of the cemetery. The school is the first driveway on the left.

The club always welcomes new members. To join, send \$30 to:
Burt Truman
Maine Woodturners Treasurer
85 Second St.
Hallowell, ME 04347

Or just introduce yourself at a meeting and pay Burt then.

Become a Member of the Maine Woodturners!

Name:

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